South Carolina Fire Academy, Denny Auditorium 141 Monticello Trail, Columbia, S.C. 29203 MINUTES

Wednesday, August 29, 2012

10:30 a.m.

Public Notice of this meeting was properly posted at the Building Codes Council office, Synergy Business Park, Kingstree Building, and provided to all requesting persons, organizations, and news media in compliance with §30-4-80 of the South Carolina Freedom of Information Act.

Welcome and Called To Order:

Gregory P. Parsons, Council Chairman, called the regular meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Other members participating in the meeting included Brian Denny, Jim Hance, Susan Herdina, Dean Wilson, Darbis Briggman, Shane Ray, Chris Cullum, Frank Hill, John White, Henry Drury, Kurt Rye, Mike Lowman, Melissa Hopkins, Frank Norris.

Staff members participating during the meeting included: Sheridon Spoon, Advise Attorney; Gary Wiggins, Administrator, and Reba C. Hayes, Court Reporter.

Others present participating during the meeting included: Brian Pietras, Anthony Rivera, John Westcott, Michelle Hawkins, T. Lee Cave, Chad Price, David Nichols, Earl McLeod, Joheida Fister, Tim Travers, Ken Derber, John England, Kenny Stratton, Ray Hoshall, Shaun Gastler, Ken Carr, Russell Ledford, Johathan Jones, Diane Woods, Chris Cudd, Steve Wilson, Mike Julazedeler, Paul W. Abernathy, Rebecca Brown, Kevin Smith, Michael Smith, Dameion Dawson, David Blackwell, Jim Still, C. Stewart, Michal Thomas, Ken Smith, Robert Harkins, Steve Hartwig, Matthew K. Lam, John M. Burns, Ricky Flowers, Terry Porter, Tom McCarty, Aaron Gadsby, David Stokes, Brice Isgett, Gary J. Mocarski, Terry Pruitt, Patrick Bradshaw, Andy Barber, Lee Mahoney, Bob Klein, Shaw Brashear, K. Patrick Brown, Daniel Stein, George Adams, John Wasson, Jr., Buddy Skinner, Tommy Holcombe, Randy Safer, Bruce Kline, Ray Hoshall, Ken Willis, Bryan Crowley, John Humphries, Charles H. Gray III, don Wood, Carter Jones, Bobby Brock, Richard Palmer, Richard Wucing, Dan Shirley, Chuck Corter, Wayne Barnhill Jr., Douglas Smits, Thomas Scholtens, Herb Yingling, Michael A. Johnson, Curtis Smith, Vaughn Wicker, Christopher Lee, Donny Phipps, Melissa Hopkins, Jamie Campbell, Corky Clark, Bruce Kirk, Jesse S. Burke, PE, Roni Jo Abdella, Jeff Nelson, Gordon McXXXXX, Trent Cason, Rick Hallman, George Owens, Frank Hodge, Eddie Twilley, Doug Tompkins, Bruce Boulineau, Phill Elliott, Randy Etters, Eric Odom, Tim Dickson, David Gully, Bruce D. Spicher, Bengie Levonett, Rob Freeman, Allen Hutto, Ronald Dean West, and Jonathan Sturkie.

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION:

Mr. Briggman made a motion accept the agenda. Mr. Lowman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Approval of Minutes Wednesday, May 23, 2012:

MOTION:

Mr. Lowman made a motion to accept the minutes of the May 23, 2012 meeting. Mr. Rye seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Approval/Disapproval of Absent Members:

Mr. Hill stated that Mr. Brock was going to be late. Mr. Brock arrived about 10:45 a.m.

Chairman's Remarks:

Chairman Parsons thanked everyone for coming, and recognized The South Carolina Water Quality Association representatives.

Administrator's Remarks:

NONE

Introduction of New Members:

Chairman Parsons recognized and introduced Mr. Frank Norris, insurance industry, and Melissa Hopkins as a CBO, filling the County Administrator position.

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Recognition of Past Members:

Chairman Parsons recognized all previous members and thanked them for serving on the Council.

Office of Investigations and Enforcements (OIE):

Todd Bond gave an overview of IRC. Mr. Bond also reported that since the first of this year OIE received sixteen cases; eight are active investigations; one closed, four do not open, and one pending.

Mr. Bond reported that two cases are recommended for dismissal and two cases for formal complaint. One case was found not be in violation of complaint.

MOTION:

Mr. Cullum made a motion to accept IRC's recommendations for the first two cases, case numbers 2011-20, and 2012-6. Mr. Hill seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Mr. White made a motion to approve IRC's recommendation to move forward with formal complaints. Mr. Lowman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Office of General Counsel (OGC)

Chairman Parsons recognized Ms. Christa Bell. Ms. Bell reported that there are no pending disciplinary cases. Ms. Bell explained the function OGC.

New Business:

Compromise Modification for IRC Sections R313.1 and R313.2

MOTION:

Mr. Briggman made a motion to accept the modification to compromise R313.1 and R313.2. Mr. Lowman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Code Modification Regulations:

Mr. Wiggins recommended that the Codes Modification Regulation be approved to go forward to the legislature.

MOTION:

Mr. Briggman made a motion that the Codes Modification Regulation go forward to the legislature. Ms. Herdina seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

MOTION:

Mr. Lowman made a motion that prior to consideration and modification of codes the current and proposed versions of the codes is provided to each Council member. Mr. Rye seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Chairman Parsons recommended that the agenda be modified to reflect that the Modular Conference

MOTION:

Mr. Lowman made a motion to amend the agenda to reflect that the Modular Conference Report is reported before ICC Conference. Mr. Briggman seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Modular Conference Report:

Chairman Parsons reported on the Modular Conference stating that the State of South Carolina was complimented on their processes. Mr. Drury reported that the modular product, as a whole, is innovative and limitless.

MOTION:

Mr. Briggman made a motion to recommend that Council members and staff participate in continuing modular education. Mr. Drury seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

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ICC Conference Attendance:

Mr. Briggman, on behalf of his jurisdiction, Ms. Hopkins, Mr. Lowman, and Mr. Wiggins volunteered to attend the ICC Conference.

MOTION:

Mr. Briggman made a motion that two Council members and the administrator attend the ICC Conference. Mr. Drury seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Ms. Herdina recommended that all members attending the ICC Conference bring back relevant information about the South Carolina issues.

MOTION:

Mr. Briggman made a motion to accept the recommendation that all members attending the ICC Conference bring back relevant information. Mr. Drury seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Request for Cease and Desist Order:

Staff recommended that C&D's be authorized.

MOTION:

Mr. Cullum made a motion to approve the request for C&D's Mr. White seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Balcony Railing Inspections Report

Mr. Wiggins explained the history of the Balcony Railing Inspection.

Committee Report - Mr. Darbis Briggman:

Chairman Parsons recognized Mr. Briggman. Mr. Briggman stated that the report was not available.

Request to Delegate Authority – Cease & Desist (C&D) and Letter of Caution (LOC)

Staff recommended that Council delegates authority to the Chairman to sign C&D orders.

MOTION:

Mr. White made a motion to delegate authority to the Chairman to sign C&D's on behalf of the Council. Mr. Rye seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Staff recommended that Council allow the Chairman to sign LOC's.

MOTION:

Mr. Cullum made a motion that Council delegate authority to the Chairman to sign LOC's after the time at which the IRC has presented them to the Council. Mr. Hill seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

2012 International Code Series and the 2011 NEC Adoption

Mr. Wiggins recommended that Council formally adopt the 2012 codes and the 2011 NEC.

MOTION:

Mr. White made a motion to adopt the 2011 International Code Series and the 2011 NEC with July 1, 2013 implementation date. Mr. Rye seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Public Comments:

Public comments were made by Mr. Adolf Zubia, South Carolina Sprinkler Coalition; Ms. Michelle Hawkins, Building Officials' Association; Mr. Bruce Boulineau, City of Myrtle Beach, and Mr. Mark Nicks, Home Builders Association of South.

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Date of Next Meeting - November 28, 2012:

The next regular meeting of the South Carolina Building Codes Council has been set for Wednesday, November 28, 2012.

MOTION:

Mr. Lowman made a motion to have a special meeting of the Council. Mr. Hill seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

Adjournment:

The Wednesday, August 29, 2012, meeting was adjourned at a.m

These minutes are a record of the motions/official actions taken by the Council and a brief summary of the meeting. A transcript of this meeting providing more detail is available on the Council's website.